

UNITED STATES ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AGENCY

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REPLY TO THE ATTENTION OF

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Kimberly D. Bose, Secretary Federal Energy Regulatory Commission 888 First St., N.E., Room 1A Washington, DC 20426

Re: Cooperating Agency Involvement for the Environmental Impact Statement (EIS) for the ET Rover Pipeline Project (MI, OH, WV and PA) [FERC Docket No. PF14-14-000]

Dear Secretary Bose:

The U.S. Environmental Protection Agency Regions 3 and 5 received letters dated September 11, 2014, and August 21, 2014, respectively, inviting EPA to become a cooperating agency with the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission (FERC) in the development of FERC's Environmental Impact Statement (EIS) for ET Rover Pipeline LLC's proposed Rover Pipeline Project (Project), with proposed facilities in Michigan, Ohio, Pennsylvania, and West Virginia.

EPA accepts FERC's invitation to become a cooperating agency for this project. As a cooperating agency, EPA agrees to provide project-related input in areas of our expertise subject to resource limitations. We agree to provide input on impact assessment methodologies; participate in coordination meetings via webinars/conference calls; and provide comment on preliminary information developed for the Draft EIS and Final EIS. Specifically, we look to provide comment on purpose and need, alternatives considered, anticipated impacts and mitigation.

To facilitate coordination, EPA Region 5 will serve as the overall lead. We request you keep both EPA Region 3 and Region 5 apprised of future interagency meetings and conference calls. Please send hard copies and CDs of all project information, including review documents, directly to each Region in order to expedite our review time. We would appreciate a 14-day advance notice of interagency meetings/conference calls.

The EPA's cooperating agency status and level of involvement does not, however, preclude our independent review and comment responsibilities under Section 102(2)(C) of NEPA and Section 309 of the Clean Air Act, or our authorities under Section 404 of the Clean Water Act. Similarly, our cooperating agency status does not imply that EPA will necessarily concur with all aspects of the upcoming EIS.

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Sincerely,

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